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Federal Communications Commission  
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In the Matter of )  
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Amendment of Section 73.202 (b) )  
Table of Allotments ) RM-  
FM Broadcast Stations. )  
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(Arnoldsburg, West Virginia) )

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To: Mass Media Bureau (Policy & Rules)

Petition for Rule Making

Mountaineer Communications, by its attorney, respectfully petitions for rule making so as to allot Channel 264A to Arnoldsburg, West Virginia, as its first local transmission service. In support thereof, the following is shown.

Arnoldsburg, population 150, according to the 1990 census, is a small town located in Calhoun county, West Virginia.

Arnoldsburg has its own post office and separate zip code, 25234. The Arnoldsburg Elementary School educates children through the 7th grade; it has an enrollment of 209 students.

Within Arnoldsburg are a number of businesses, including Rogers & Son, and Ronald Lane Pipeline Construction, Inc.

There are no radio stations allotted to or licensed to Arnoldsburg, and there are no other radio stations licensed to any community within Calhoun county. Due to the hilly terrain, Arnoldsburg residents have less than perfect reception of radio stations located outside the county.

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As shown by the attached spacing study, a Class A FM station may be allocated to Arnoldsburg with a slight site restriction of 4.011 km (2.44 mi) to the northeast. The Coordinates for Arnoldsburg are: NL 38-47-30 WL 81-08-00. The proposed allocation coordinates are:

NL 38-49-00  
WL 81-06-00

Insofar as the fully spaced allocation coordinates proposed by the petitioner are only 4.011 km away, it is clear that all of Arnoldsburg will receive city-grade service from this site.

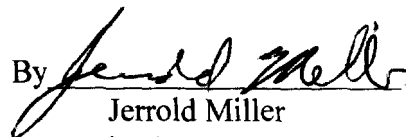
The evidence demonstrates that Arnoldsburg meets the Commission's criteria to be a community for allotment purposes.

Mountaineer Communications will promptly apply for a construction permit for the Arnoldsburg allotment upon favorable Commission action on this petition, and will promptly construct the new facilities upon grant of the application.

In view of the above, the Commission should amend Section 73.202 (b) as requested herein and allot Channel 264A to Arnoldsburg.

Respectfully Submitted,

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MAPFM search of channel 264A6 (100.7 MHz), at N. 38 49 0, W. 81 6 0.

Searching Channel 264A6 (100.7 MHz):

| CALL   | CITY             | ST | CHN | CL | S | DIST  | SEPN  | BRNG ° | CLEARANCE |
|--------|------------------|----|-----|----|---|-------|-------|--------|-----------|
| WZWA   | Clarksburg       | WV | 211 | B1 | L | 82.9  | 12.0  | 47.7x  | 70.9      |
| ALC    | Vienna           | WV | 261 | A  | U | 70.6  | 31.0  | 327.9x | 39.6      |
| WDMX   | Vienna           | WV | 261 | A  | L | 67.5  | 31.0  | 329.1x | 36.5      |
| ALC    | Webster Springs  | WV | 262 | B  | U | 70.5  | 69.0  | 122.2x | 1.5       |
| WAFD   | Webster Springs  | WV | 262 | B  | L | 71.1  | 69.0  | 123.8x | 2.1       |
| ALC    | Bellaire         | OH | 263 | B  | U | 138.3 | 113.0 | 11.8x  | 25.3      |
| WOMPFM | Bellaire         | OH | 263 | B  | L | 138.3 | 113.0 | 11.8x  | 25.3      |
| ALC    | Huntington       | WV | 263 | B  | U | 128.5 | 113.0 | 248.5x | 15.5      |
| WKEE   | Huntington       | WV | 263 | B  | L | 128.5 | 113.0 | 248.5x | 15.5      |
| WKEE   | Huntington       | WV | 263 | B  | L | 128.5 | 113.0 | 248.5x | 15.5      |
| ALC    | New Kensington   | PA | 264 | B  | U | 224.4 | 178.0 | 28.5x  | 46.4      |
| WZPT   | New Kensington   | PA | 264 | B  | L | 208.7 | 178.0 | 26.8x  | 30.7      |
| WZPT   | New Kensington   | PA | 264 | B  | C | 208.7 | 178.0 | 26.8x  | 30.7      |
| ALC    | Harrisonburg     | VA | 264 | B  | U | 195.0 | 178.0 | 102.0x | 17.0      |
| WQPO   | Harrisonburg     | VA | 264 | B  | L | 195.0 | 178.0 | 102.0x | 17.0      |
| ALC    | Mcconnelsville   | OH | 265 | A  | U | 112.8 | 72.0  | 325.0x | 40.8      |
| WJAW   | Mcconnelsville   | OH | 265 | A  | L | 104.7 | 72.0  | 321.7x | 32.7      |
| ALC    | Covington        | VA | 265 | A  | U | 152.0 | 72.0  | 140.1x | 80.0      |
| ALC    | Westover         | WV | 265 | A  | U | 129.3 | 72.0  | 51.3x  | 57.3      |
| ALC    | South Charleston | WV | 265 | A  | U | 71.8  | 72.0  | 227.1x | -0.2      |
| W265AL | Harrisville      | WV | 265 | D  | L | 43.3  | 0.0   | 7.2x   | 43.3      |
| WJYP   | South Charleston | WV | 265 | A  | L | 71.8  | 72.0  | 227.1x | -0.2      |
| WMQC   | Westover         | WV | 265 | A  | L | 129.3 | 72.0  | 51.3x  | 57.3      |
| ALC    | Buckhannon       | WV | 267 | B  | U | 77.4  | 69.0  | 77.1x  | 8.4       |
| WBRB   | Buckhannon       | WV | 267 | B  | L | 81.1  | 69.0  | 79.9x  | 12.1      |
| WBRB   | Buckhannon       | WV | 267 | B  | L | 81.1  | 69.0  | 79.9x  | 12.1      |

